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COMITE II

1. CHAIRMAN AMB AGUILAR PRODUCED INFORMAL WORKING
PAPER #1 ENTITLED "FORMULATION OF MAIN TRENDS"
ON ITEM 2 OF LIST OF ISSUES: TERRITORIAL SEA. AGUILAR
EXPLOAINED PAPER WAS HIS RESPONSIBILITY AND REPRESENTED
ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY GENERAL TRENDS IN EXISTING DRAFT
ARTICLES AFTER STUDY OF GENERAL DEBATE AND COMITE STATEMENTS.
PREJUDGES POSITIONS ON THEM.

2. WORKING PAPER #1 CONSISTS OF DRAFT ARTICLES IN FORM OF ALTERNATIVES RANGING IN NUMBER FROM ONE TO THREE FOR MOST OF SUB-ISSUES UNDER TITLE OF TERRITORIAL SEA ON LIST OF SUBJECTS AND ISSUES. MAJORITY OF ARTICLES UNCLASSIFIED

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OFFER ALTERNATIVES OF GENEVA CONVENTION AND 200 MILE

PROPONENTS.

3. MAIN THEMES OF INFORMAL DISCUSSION WERE AS FOLLOWS: (A) ALL ARCHIPELAGO STATES AND SOME TOEHRS INSISTED THAT REFERENCES TO ARCHIPELAGIC WATERS (ITEM 16) MUST BE INCLUDED IN DEFINITION OF TERRITORIAL SEA. (B) MANY DELEGATIONS (NON-LA) CRITICIZED TITLE "MAIN TRENDS" AND FORMAT FOR IMPLYING THAT 200 MILE TERITORIAL SEA WEIGHTED EOUALLY IN BALANCE OF SUPPORT WITH 12 MILE ADVOCATES AND THEEFORE WAS MISLEADING. (C) GREECE DEPLORED PROMINENT DISPLAY OF TURKISH ALTERNATIVE ARTICLES DEALING WITH DELIMITATION BETWEEN STATES WITH OPPOSITE COASTS, LABELED PAPER UACCEPTABLE, AND URGED USING ALL SEABED COMMITTEE ARTICLES AS BASIS OF WORK. (AGUILAR REPLIED THAT UNLESS SEABED COMMITTEE DRAFT ARTICLES WERE SOMEHOW NARROWED SOON THE CONFERENCE AS DOOMED.) (D) PERU, BACKED BY ECUADOR, ARGENTINA, URUGUAY, PRAISED THE PAPER BUT SUGGESTED THAT LIKE-MINDED STATES MEET INFORMALLY TO DRAFT ARTICLES THAT BETTER REFLECTED THEIR POSITIONS AND SUBMT THEM AS ADMENDMENTS TO REVISION ONE OF WORKING PAPER. (E) US REP (MOORE) SUPPORTED CHAIMAN'S INITIATIVE AS MAJOR STEP FORWARD IN ORGANIZATION OF WRK OF COMMITTEE II. US ALSO ENDORSED GETTING TOGETHER OF INFORMAL GROUPS ON TRENDS WHICH MEETINGS CHAIRMAN MIGHT CONVENE AND CHAIR. (F) CHAIRMAN ENDED MEETING (AFTER 29 SPEAKERS) BY SAYING WP-1 WOULD BE REVISED IN CONSULTAION WITH BUREAU AND CONCERNED STATES. IN MEANTIME, COMMITTEE II WOULD MOVE ON TO DISCUSSION OF NEXT ITEM (CONTIGUOUS ZONE). STEVENSON

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